

U.S. Patent Application Serial No. **10/768,180**
Supplemental Amendment filed May 15, 2008
Reply to OA dated November 16, 2007

REMARKS

As of entry of the Amendment dated April 16, 2008, claims 1, 3-5 and 7-20 are pending in this application, with claims 3, 8-10 and 14-18 withdrawn from consideration. In the present amendment, claim 13 is canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Upon entry of this amendment, claims 1, 3-5, 7-12 and 14-20 will be pending, with claims 3, 8-10 and 14-18 withdrawn from consideration. Entry of this amendment and reconsideration of the rejections are respectfully requested.

No new matter has been introduced by this Amendment. The remarks in the Amendment dated April 16, 2008, are applicable to the pending claims, and Applicant requests reconsideration of the rejections and objections in view of those remarks.

If, for any reason, it is felt that this application is not now in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the applicants' undersigned agent at the telephone number indicated below to arrange for an interview to expedite the disposition of this case.

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In the event that this paper is not timely filed, the applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. Please charge any fees for such an extension of time and any other fees which may be due with respect to this paper, to Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

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